

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,	:	
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Plaintiff,	:	ECF Case
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- against -	:	No. 20 Civ. 8423 (PGG)
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SAEXPLORATION HOLDINGS, INC.,	:	
JEFFREY H. HASTINGS,	:	
BRENT N. WHITELEY,	:	
BRIAN A. BEATTY, and	:	
MICHAEL J. SCOTT,	:	
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Defendants, and	:	
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THOMAS W. O'NEILL and	:	
LORI E. HASTINGS,	:	
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Relief Defendants.	:	
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WHEREAS, on April 1, 2021, the Government submitted a motion seeking to intervene in this action and seeking a stay of discovery and the filing of answers in light of the pendency of the parallel criminal action *United States v. Jeffrey Hastings*, S1 20 Cr. 534 (GHW) (the “Criminal Action”), in which an indictment has been returned; and

WHEREAS, the Government does not seek to stay the filing and litigation of any motion to dismiss this action;

WHEREAS, defendants Jeffrey H. Hastings, Brent N. Whiteley, Brian A. Beatty, and Michael J. Scott consent to the stay of discovery and the filing of answers in this case sought by the Government;

WHEREAS, relief defendant Lori E. Hastings consents to the stay of discovery and the filing of answers in this case sought by the Government;

WHEREAS, relief defendant Thomas W. O'Neill has not responded to the Government's inquiries regarding his position with respect to the stay of discovery and the filing of answers in this case sought by the Government;


WHEREAS, the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") takes no position on the Government's request to stay discovery and the filing of answers in this action; and

WHEREAS, the Court finds that a stay of discovery and the filing of answers in this action with respect to defendants Jeffrey H. Hastings, Whiteley, Beatty and Scott, and as to relief defendants O'Neill and Lori Hastings, is in furtherance of the interests of justice and will not prejudice any party;

**ORDERED** that the Government's motion to intervene is GRANTED. It is further ~~that~~ this action is stayed in its entirety, including as to any proposed motions to dismiss, **ORDERED** that ~~discovery and the filing of answers in this action are stayed~~ until the completion of the Criminal Action. ~~It is further~~

~~**ORDERED** that the filing and litigation of any motion to dismiss is not stayed.~~

SO ORDERED.

  
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HONORABLE PAUL G. GARDEPHE  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

May 3, 2021  
DATE